2021 Public Litter Can Pilot: SPU's Search for a More Perfect Public Litter Can

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: SPU manages 1,150 public litter and recycling cans across Seattle. In November 2021, we will pilot a new public litter can style to improve functionality and service. 150 existing cans will be replaced in neighborhoods with an extended history of public litter can issues, including Capitol Hill, South Park, Georgetown, Othello, Alki, Hillman City, and Little Saigon.

INTRODUCING THE CG35: The new can style, CG35, is manufactured by SECURR, the city's blanket contract vendor for public litter can. The CG35 is a cart garage with a spring-locked side opening and houses a 35-gallon poly cart (like our residential garbage cans). Our partners at KC Metro have used this style for the past 3 years and has said this can model "is the closest they have found to perfect for their can program."



Opening will be larger (6" x 14")
Spring latch lock side opening

2021 Recycle Design



Image by Ben D, a youth photographer with Youth In Focus

2021 Garbage Design





Image by Brenda P, a youth photographer with Youth In Focus

ISSUES WE ARE SOLVING FOR: We have three litter can styles, each with their strengths and weaknesses.

Current Can Styles

Pros & Cons



SECURR HS55

Pros: Locked side door; very few missing liners; keeps rain out

Cons: Prone to severe graffiti difficult to remove in the field; perforated sides are frequently kicked in; inside liners are 55 gallons and above weight for drivers to safely collect



CANTERBURY

Pros: Side door opening, fewer liners stolen, keeps the rain out

Cons: Weaker materials used in construction; damaged often & difficult to repair; prone to graffiti on lid



VICTOR STANLEY/THOMAS STEELE

Pros: Sturdy; cleans up well; works better in some areas than others

Cons: Frequent Illegal dumping; allows for collection of rain, making trash heavier to collect; lid & liner often go missing; frequent missing liners disrupt service; drivers must lift liner up out of can to service

All can styles experience graffiti. We anticipate the vinyl art wrap will 1) discourage graffiti and 2) make it easier to remove. And all existing can styles require the contractor to lift the cans into the truck, making it more challenging for drivers to collect. This new style will allow drivers to use the lift on the truck service the can.

NEXT STEPS: New can order is expected to arrive in mid-November. New cans are expected to be delivered by the second week of November. Once received, we will work with our contractors to place cans in specified areas in the following weeks of receiving the order.

OCCIDENTAL SQUARE WASTE BIN LOCATIONS





SOUTH AT S MAIN ST





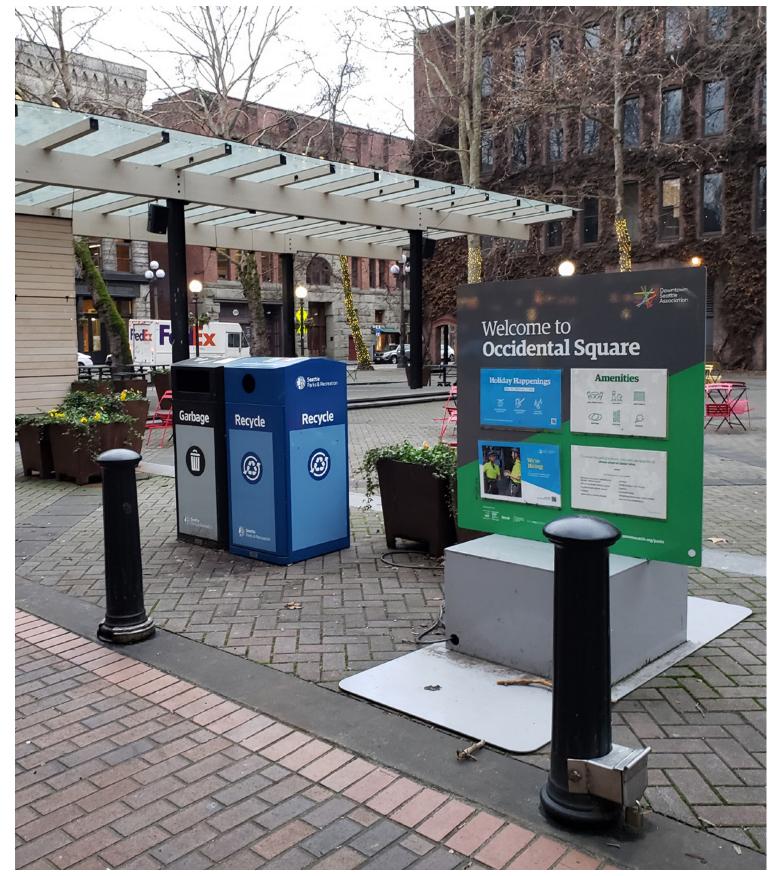


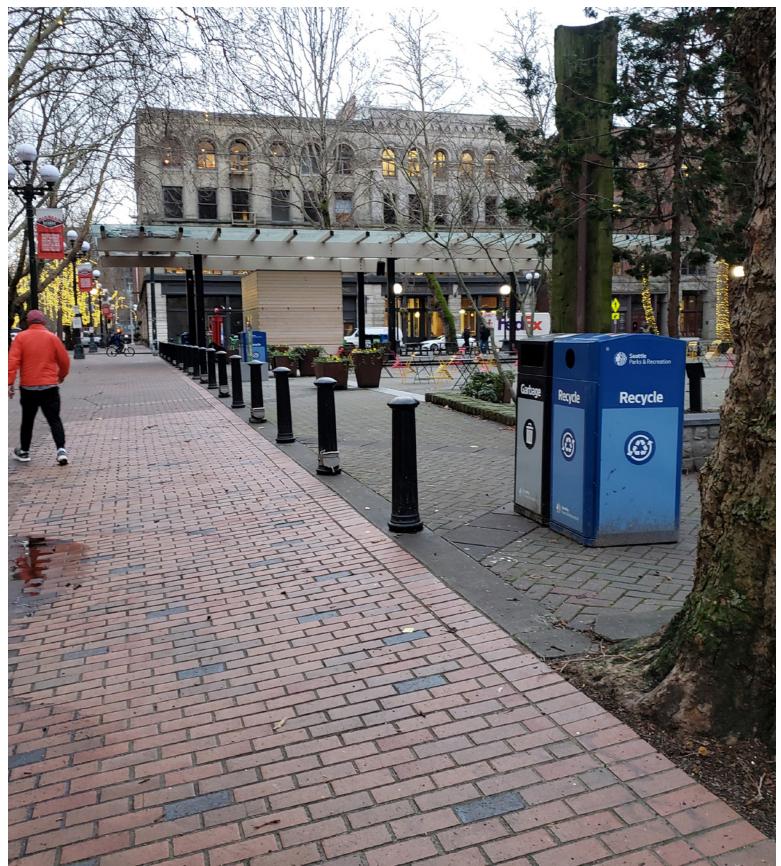
EAST SIDE OF PAVILION





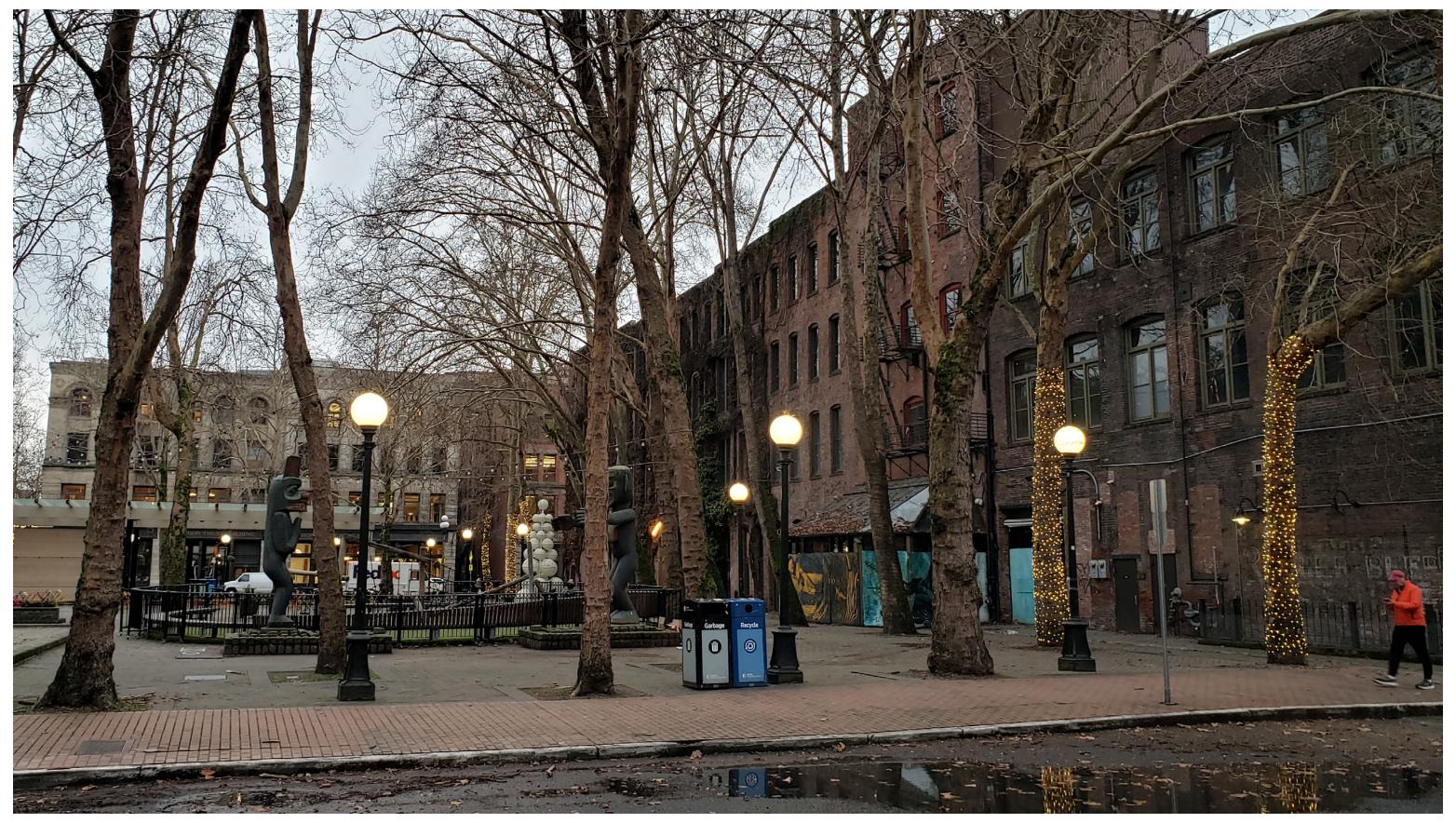
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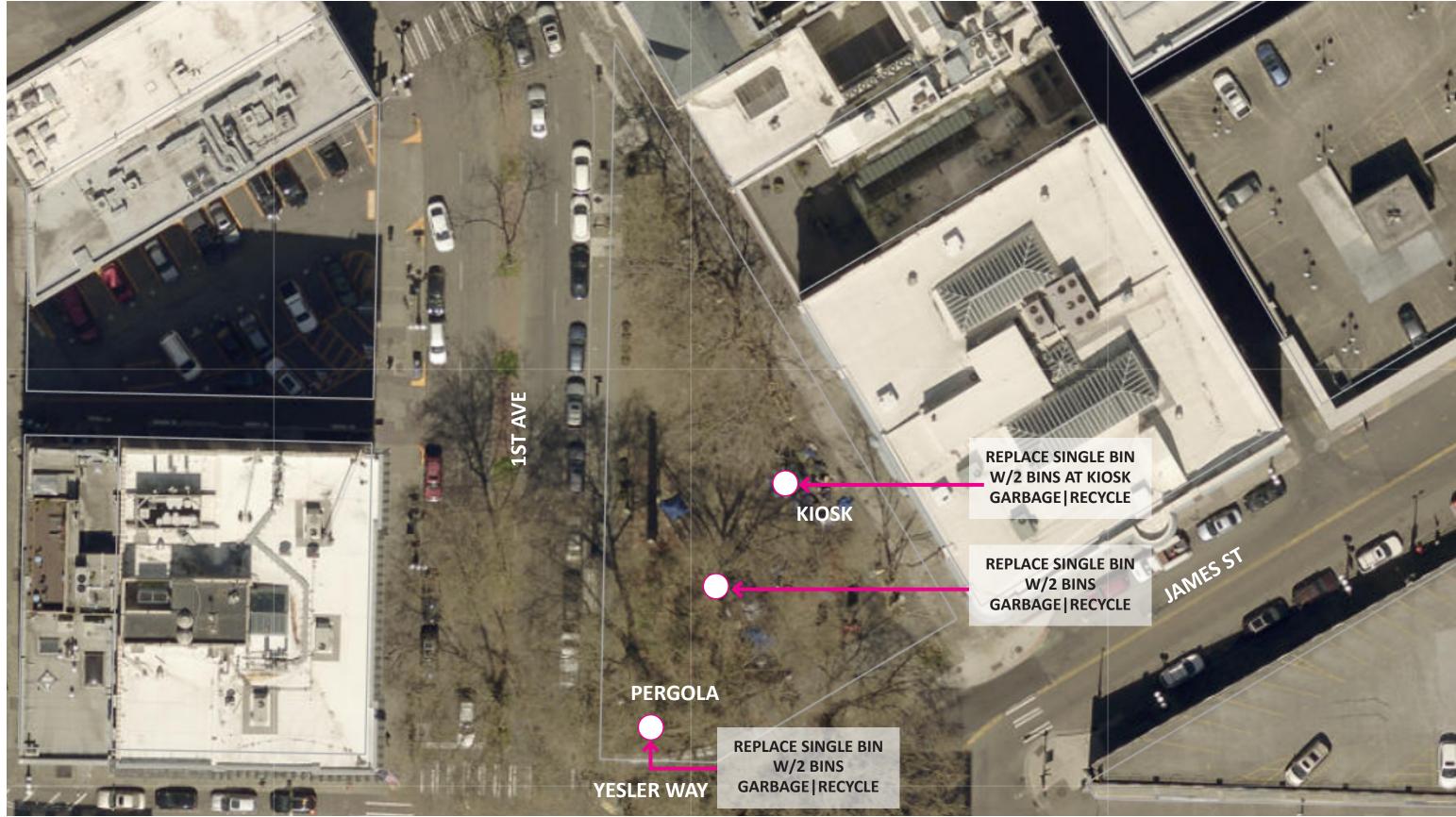




NORTH AT S WASHINGTON ST

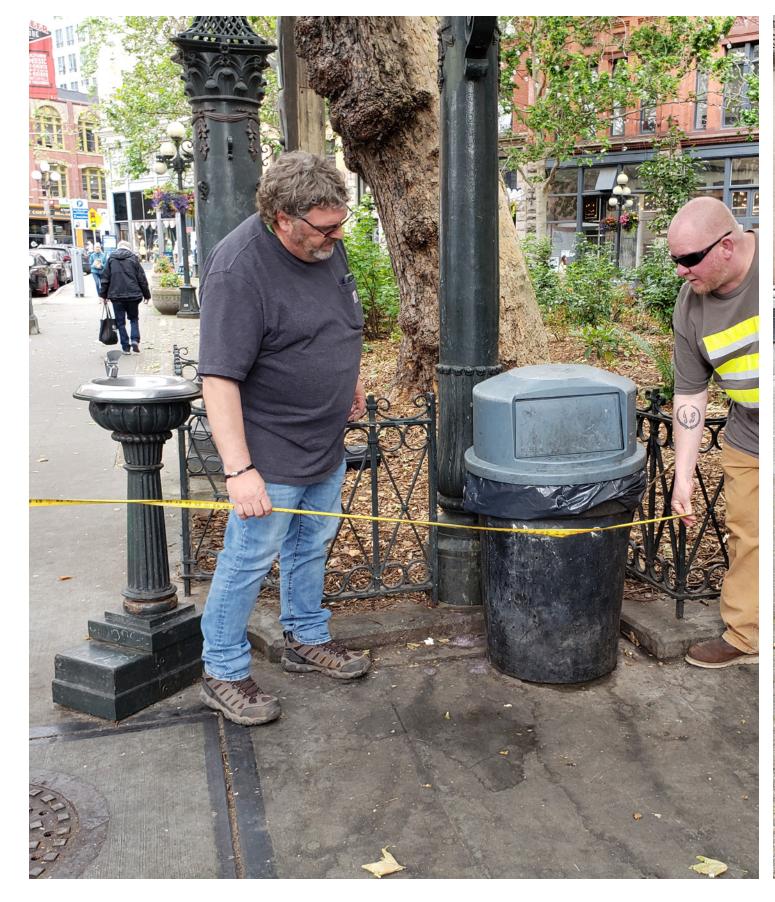


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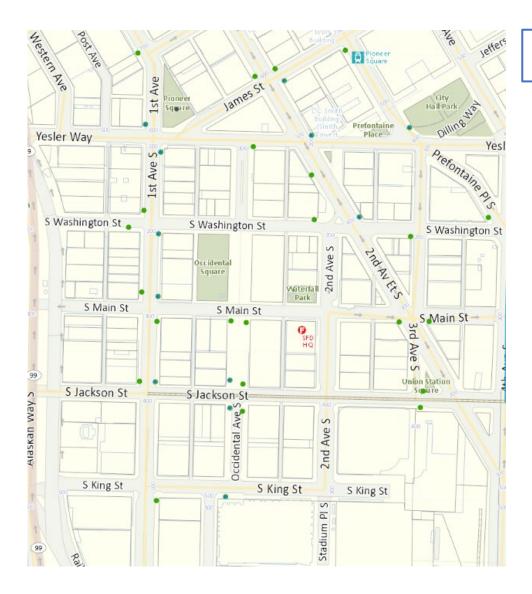
EAST SIDE OF PARK AT BENCHES







CURRENT PUBLIC LITTER CAN FOOTPRINT



30 Public Recycle Cans | 30 Public Garbage Cans

Along First Ave S

- 601 1ST AVE
- 102 1ST AVE S
- 121 1ST AVE S
- 200 1ST AVE S
- 201 1ST AVE S
- 220 1ST AVE S
- 221 1ST AVE S
- 300 1ST AVE S
- 322 1ST AVE S
- 323 1ST AVE S
- 500 1ST AVE S

Other Locations

- 205 3RD AVE S
- 450 3RD AVE
- 312 S WASHINGTON ST

Along Occidental Ave S

- 102 OCCIDENTAL AVE
- 300 OCCIDENTAL AVE S
- 303 OCCIDENTAL AVE S
- 322 OCCIDENTAL AVE S
- 323 OCCIDENTAL AVE S
- 400 OCCIDENTAL AVE S
- 401 OCCIDENTAL AVE S
- 520 OCCIDENTAL AVE S

Along 2nd Ave S

- 423 2ND AVE EXT S
- 407 2ND AVE EXT S
- 406 2ND AVE EXT S
- 339 2ND AVE EXT S
- 222 2ND AVE EXT S
- 316 S JACKSON ST
- 303 S JACKSON ST



CURRENT PUBLIC LITTER CAN STYLE



Common Issues

- Missing Lid
- Missing Liner
- Scavenging
- Overflows
- Rain







FOR ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATION

Ongoing Maintenance Needs

- Liners
- Spring latch locks
- Graffiti
- Can Damage → Replacement

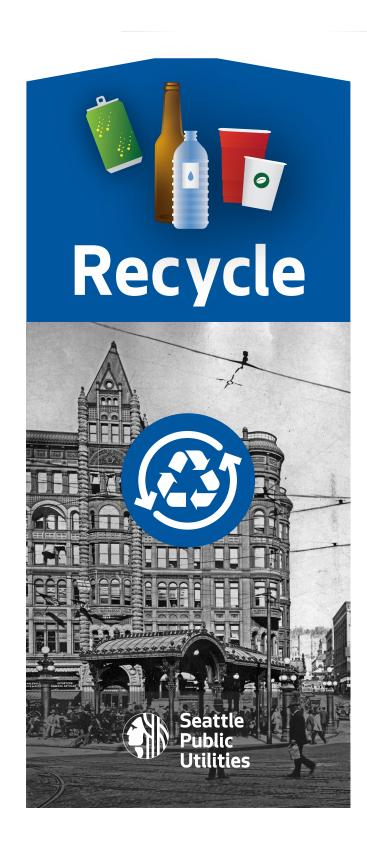


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LEFT AND RIGHT SIDES

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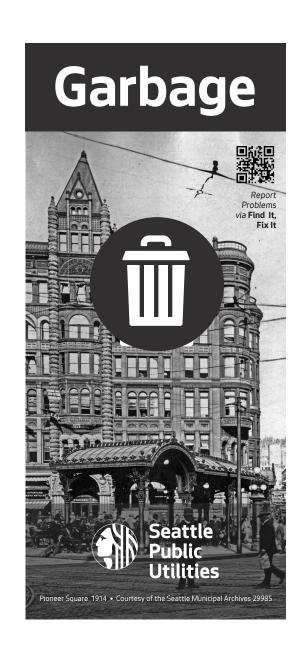


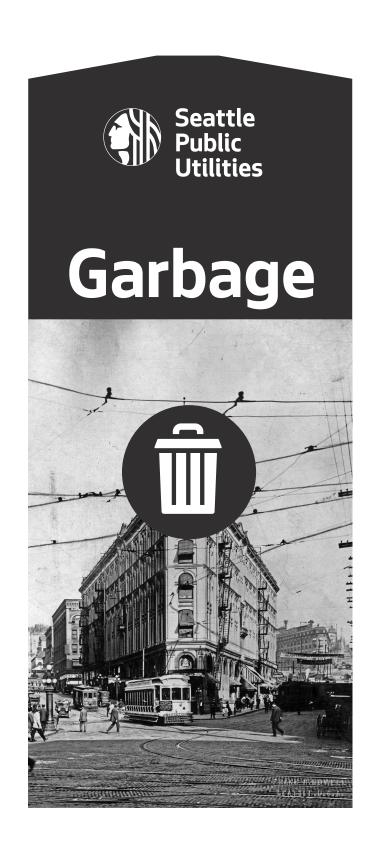
PIONEER SQUARE

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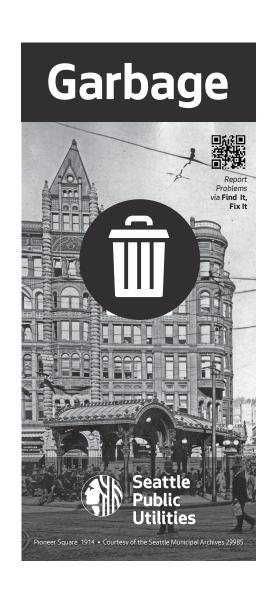


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